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Stated Meeting, March 1.

Present, twenty members.

Dr. PATTERSON, President, in the Chair.

Mr. Richard A. Tilghman, elected a member of the Society in 1847, during his absence in Europe, having recently returned to this city, was introduced to the President, and took his seat.

Letters were read:—

From Prof. Zantedeschi, dated Padova, 25th December, 1849, announcing the transmission of a donation to the Society: and—

From the Royal Institution of Great Britain, dated Albemarle street, 29th December, 1849, acknowledging the receipt of No. 43, of the Proceedings of this Society.

Prof. Frazer called the attention of the Society to the value of the work presented by Professor Zantedeschi, entitled "Annali di Fisica."

The following donations were announced:—

FOR THE LIBRARY.

Bulletin de la Société de Géographie. 3ème Série. Tome XI. Paris, 1849. 8vo.—*From the Geographical Society of Paris.*

Journal Asiatique. 4ème Série. Tome XIII. No. 65, et Tome XIV. Nos. 66, 67 & 68. Juin à Octobre, 1849. Paris. 8vo.—*From the Asiatic Society of Paris.*

Annali di Fisica dell' Abbate Francesco Cavaliere Zantedeschi, Professore, &c. Fascicolo II. Padova, 1849-50. 8vo.—*From the Author.*

Transactions of the Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures and Commerce. New Series. Vol. I. Parts 1 & 2. London, 1847-9. 4to.—*From the Society.*

The Annals and Magazine of Natural History, including Zoology, Botany, and Geology. 2d Series. Vol. V. No. 25. January, 1850. London. 8vo.—*From Sir William Jardine, Baronet.*

Report of the Select Committee of the Assembly of the State of New York, appointed to investigate the matters connected with the

publication of the State Work on Natural History. Albany, 1850.—*From the Trustees of the New York State Library.*

Summary of the Transactions of the College of Physicians of Philadelphia, from Nov. 6, 1849, to Jan. 15, 1850. Vol. III. No. 1. Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From the College of Physicians.*

Journal of the Franklin Institute. 3d Series. Vol. XIX. No. 2. February, 1850. Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From the Institute.*

Monograph of Vitrinella, a new genus of new species of Turbinidæ. By C. B. Adams, A.M. Amherst, Mass. 1850. 4to.—*From the Author.*

Contributions to Conchology. No. 5. By Prof. C. B. Adams, of Amherst College, Mass. 8vo.—*From the same.*

Descriptions of two new species of Distoma, with the partial history of one of them. By Joseph Leidy, M.D. Philadelphia. 4to.—*From the Author.*

Report of the Select Committee of the Senate of Pennsylvania, in relation to the Bridge across the Ohio river, at Wheeling, Virginia. Harrisburg, 1850. 8vo.—*From B. Matthias, Esq.*

The Plough, the Loom and the Anvil. Vol. II. No. 9. March, 1850. Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From J. S. Skinner, Editor.*

Slavery and the Constitution: Both sides of the Question. By Francis E. Brewster. Philadelphia, 1850. 8vo.—*From the Author.*

Twenty-ninth Report of the Council of the Leeds Philosophical and Literary Society, at the close of the Session, 1848–9. Leeds. 8vo.—*From the Society.*

Mr. Trego announced the death of M. Roux de Rochelle, of Paris, a member of this Society, who died at Paris in June last.

Mr. Fraley gave a description to the Society of the progress that had been made in the erection of buildings for the Smithsonian Institution, at Washington, which he has recently had an opportunity of inspecting.

Pending nominations, Nos. 232 to 237, inclusive, were read.

On motion of the Librarian, Mr. Vanderkemp was permitted to take from the Library, for a few days, a manuscript work entitled "*Journal Historique concernant l'etablissement des Français à la Louisiane, &c. Par M. Bénard de la Harpe.*"

On motion of Mr. Fraley, as complete a copy of the Trans-

actions and Proceedings of this Society as can be furnished, was directed to be sent to the Smithsonian Institution, at Washington.

Stated Meeting, March 15.

Present, twelve members.

Dr. PATTERSON, President, in the Chair.

The following donations were announced:—

FOR THE LIBRARY.

Boston Journal of Natural History; containing Papers and Communications read before the Boston Society of Natural History. Vol. VI. No. 1. Boston, 1850. 8vo.—*From the Boston Society of Natural History.*

The African Repository and Colonial Journal. Vol. XXVI. No. 3. March, 1850. Washington. 8vo.—*From the American Colonization Society.*

The American Journal of Science and Arts. Second Series. Vol. IX. No. 26. March, 1850. New Haven. 8vo.—*From Profs. Silliman and Dana, Editors.*

The Medical News and Library. Vol. VIII. No. 87. March, 1850. Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From Lea & Blanchard.*

Report of the Pennsylvania Hospital for the Insane, for the year 1849. By Thomas S. Kirkbride, M.D. Physician to the Institution. Published by order of the Board of Managers. Philadelphia, 1850. 8vo.—*From the Author.*

Remarks on the Condition of the Marine Hospital Fund of the United States; with suggestions for its improvement. By a Surgeon U. S. Navy. Philadelphia, 1841. 8vo.—*From Dr. W. S. W. Ruschenberger.*

An Examination into the Legality of the General Orders which confer assimilated Rank on Officers of the Civil Branch of the U. S. Navy. By a Surgeon. Philadelphia, 1848. 8vo.—*From the same.*

Fac-Simile of a Letter from Benjamin Franklin to Humphry Marshall, a Pennsylvania Farmer, April 22, 1771. Philadelphia, 1850.—*From Thomas Fisher.*

The Destiny of Pittsburgh, and the Duty of her Young Men: an